(k) Any other information that the Director of the awarding institute may request.

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§ 52a.5 How will NIH evaluate applica-

- (a) NIH considers the following in evaluating Center grant applications:
- (1) The scientific and technical merit of the proposed program;
- (2) The qualifications and experience of the center director and other key personnel;
- (3) The statutory and program purposes to be accomplished;
- (4) The extent to which the various components of the proposed program would be coordinated into one multi-disciplinary effort within the center;
- (5) The extent to which the center's activities would be coordinated with similar efforts by other organizations;
- (6) The administrative and managerial capability of the applicant;
- (7) The reasonableness of the proposed budget in relation to the proposed program; and
- (8) Other factors which the awarding institute, center, or division considers appropriate in light of its particular statutory mission.
- (b) Where required by statute or NIH policy, applications are reviewed by appropriate national advisory councils or boards before awards are made. NIH grants may be awarded generally only after approval recommendations from both appropriate scientific peer review groups and national advisory councils or boards.

§ 52a.6 Information about grant awards.

- (a) The notice of grant award specifies how long NIH intends to support the project without requiring the project to recompete for funds. This period, called the project period, will usually be for 1–5 years.
- (b) Generally, the grant will initially be for one year, and subsequent continuation awards will also be for one year at a time. A grantee must submit a separate application to have the support continued for each subsequent year. Decisions regarding continuation awards and the funding level of such

awards will be made after consideration of such factors as the grantee's progress and management practices, and the availability of funds. In all cases, continuation awards require a determination by the NIH that continued funding is in the best interest of the Federal Government.

(c) Neither the approval of any application, nor the award of any grant commits or obligates the Federal Government in any way to make any additional, supplemental, continuation, or other award with respect to any approved application or portion of an approved application.

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§52a.7 For what purposes may a grantee spend grant funds?

A grantee shall spend funds it receives under this part solely in accordance with the approved application and budget, the authorizing legislation, the regulations of this part, the terms and conditions of the award, and the applicable cost principles prescribed in 45 CFR 74.27.

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§ 52a.8 Other HHS regulations and policies that apply.

Several other regulations and policies apply to this part. These include, but are not necessarily limited to:

- 42 CFR part 50, Subpart A—Responsibilities of PHS awardee and applicant institutions for dealing with and reporting possible misconduct in science
- 42 CFR part 50, Subpart D—Public Health Service grant appeals procedures
- 42 CFR part 50, subpart F—Responsibility of applicants for promoting objectivity in research for which PHS funding is sought
- 45 CFR part 16—Procedures of the Departmental Grant Appeals Board
- 45 CFR part 46—Protection of human subjects
- 45 CFR part 74—Uniform administrative requirements for awards and subawards to institutions of higher education, hospitals, other nonprofit organizations, and commercial organizations; and certain grants and agreements with states, local governments and Indian tribal governments
- 45 CFR part 75—Informal grant appeals procedures